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Yeah, I'm in Reading and I think the Tully is overrated. Its a nice stream to have given the location of it, but if you put it next to "real" trout waters it pales in comparison.

I too always thought the Kettle, at least the stocked part, was overrated. Just your run of the mill big stocked trout stream with good hatches and scenery, but in an area of the state where that isn't uncommon (First Fork, upper Allegheny, etc.), and there's plenty of wild trout fishing around too. However, the upper end, and the rest of the drainage is very good.

Some streams, like Penns and the Letort (though for different reasons), gained their fame solely because they are tough. The fish are there, and in the right circumstances you can do very well but it can be tough to put yourself in those circumstances. As long as you don't have the idea that you're going to bop in and catch a ton of trout, I don't call that overrated, thats enjoyable water in my book.

In PA, Yellow Breeches would make the list. Its strength is length, its just so long and there's so much water. But by and large its just a decent stocked trout stream.

Out of state, I'd label the Beaverkill in there too. Maybe even the Ausable in NY state, but I perhaps didn't give it enough time to really make a judgement. I've fished several western rivers, but the only one I've been on enough to make a true judgement is Henry's Fork. The river itself is deserving of the fame. But the famous part of it (Last Chance and the railroad ranch) does not live up to the fame, its not even close to being the best area on that river.